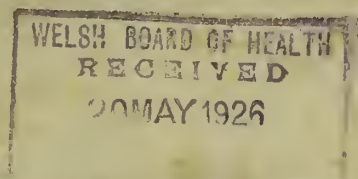


Mallwyd U.D.B.



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To the ~~Mallwyd~~ Urban District Council.

Mr Chairman and Gentlemen,

I have the pleasure to present to you my Annual Report for 1925.

NATURAL AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA

The area of the district is 14.221 acres.

Population:- Census 1921 733: 355 males, and 378 females.
Estimated population 1925 = 703.

Most of the area is in narrow valeys, between high mountains, and some of the roads are among the steepest gradients in the kingdom.

Number of inhabited houses (1921) 195.

Private families 193, the population of these is 720.
Number of rooms occupied is 910 and the number of rooms per person is 1.23.

The rateable value of the district is £5554, and the product of a 1d rate is £7.

The chief occupations are agricultural and a few slate quarries.

VITAL STATISTICS.

Births:- 14 births were registered during the year, 10 boys and 4 girls; 11 legitimate and 3 illegitimate children, and the birth rate is 19.9 per 1000 of population.


Deaths:- 18 deaths were registered in the year equivalent to a death rate of 25.6 per 1000. This is a high figure, but when dealing with small populations rates are apt to fluctuate violently.
The mean death rate for the last 10 years is 20.6

The chief causes of deaths are:-

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Heart diseases	5	3	8
Bronchitis	3	1	4
Tuberculosis of lungs	1	"	1
Cancer	0	1	1
Pneumonia	1	0	1
Ulcer of stomach	0	1	1
Kidney disease	1	0	1
Other causes	1	2	3

Excluding infant deaths, the mean age at death of males was 67, and females 74.

Ages at death.	Males	Females.
60-70	2	1
70-80	2	4
80-90	1	1
90-100	0	1



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Infant deaths:-

3 infant deaths were registered during the year. 2 legitimate and 1 illegitimate babies, equivalent to an infant mortality of 214 per 1000 births.

No deaths were registered from infectious diseases.

There have been no special causes of sickness or invalidity noted during the year.

Hospitals provided:-

For cases of Tuberculosis by the County Council.

No provision is made either by the Local Authority or by the County Council for hospitals for maternity cases, children, Fever or Smallpox.

Institution provision for unmarried mothers, illegitimate infants and homeless children is at the Poor Law Institution, Dolgellau.

There are no ambulance facilities in the district.

CLINICS:-

There are no maternity and child welfare Centres in this district. School clinics are arranged by the County Education Committee and centres for the treatment of Venereal diseases by the Merioneth County Council.

Public Health Officers:-

Medical Officer of Health (part time) John Jones, Dolgellau.
Sanitary Inspector (part time) Lewis Thomas, Dinas Iaw'dwy.

Nursing:-

The district is served by one Nurse, who possesses the certificate of the Central Midwives Board, and is employed by the Local District Nursing Association, for general and maternity nursing. No special Nurse for infectious cases.

For school nursing a grant is made by the Education Committee and for Health visiting by the County Council; the remaining funds are raised by voluntary subscription.

Midwives:-

The Nurse employed by the Nursing Association.

Laboratory Facilities:-

When necessary material is sent to the clinical research association.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES IN THIS AREA..

Water Supply-

Dinas Iaw'dwy is supplied from a reservoir in the mountain above the village and is fed by springs. Households are supplied by stand pipes. The supply is plentiful and constant.

Aberangell. The supply is by a storage cistern. There is sufficient supply but not in very close proximity to the hamlet. The question of providing a supply by gravitation is having the Council's attention.

Rivers and streams:-

There is not pollution.

Drainage and Sewerage:-

The villages are provided with drainage and cesspools, and these are cleaned out by the Local Authority.

Number in the district of,

Water closets	6
Dry earth closets	139
Privy middens	40

The disposal of the contents of the dry earth closets is let by contract; the midden privies are mostly in farm houses.

Scavenging:-

This is done by the Local Authority once every fortnight.

Sanitary Inspection:-

Number of inspections	4
Nature of inspections	Defective drains and closets.

Slaughter houses:-

There are 3 slaughter houses in the district, but they are neither registered or licensed.

Schools:-

The sanitary conditions of the three Elementary schools in the district is good.

No schools were closed for epidemic disease during the year.

Housing:-

The general housing conditions in the area are fair, and there is no shortage of houses, and no overcrowding.

The standard of fitness of houses is fair, but many of the houses are old.

The general character of the defects in some cottages is earth abutting on the walls at the back, defective drains, and dampness generally. This is being remedied.

There are no unhealthy areas.

New Houses 0. (1 in progress)

1. Unfit dwelling houses:-

Total number of dwelling houses inspected	185.
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Number of dwelling houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation	0
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Number of dwelling houses found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation	12
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2. Remedy of defects without service of formal notice:-

Number of defective dwelling houses rendered fit in consequence of informal notices	14
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No closing orders were made.

Milk Supply:-

The milk supply of the district is adequate. No action has been taken by the Local Authority in respect of Tuberculous milk or Tuberculous cattle; there are no retailers of graded milk in the district.

Meat:-

No diseased meat was found during the year. There are no public slaughter houses.

Private Slaughter houses.

	in 1924	Jan. 1925	Dec. 1925.
Registered			
licenced	nil	nil	nil

Infectious diseases:-

No cases of infectious diseases were notified during the year

Tuberculosis:-

One case Pulmonary Tuberculosis notified, female age 35-45.

One death registered, male, aged 29.
This case was not notified during life.

Public Health Tuberculosis Regulations 1925.

No cases of Tuberculosis have been notified among employees in the milk trade.

Public Health Tuberculosis Regulations 1924.

Quarterly returns under these regulations have been forwarded to the County Medical Officer, and at the end of the year there were on the register 7 cases.

No case of puerperal fever, ophthalmia neonatorum, or poliomyelitis have been notified during the year.

I have to thank the Sanitary Inspector for much help during the year, and his inspections are very thoroughly done.

To the clerk also my thanks are due for advice.

I am,

Your obedient servant

John Jones.

Medical Officer of Health.

Wenallt,
Dolgellwy.
April 19th. 1926.

